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SUBJECT:

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION ACT

The Land and Water Conservation Act is expected to be passed by both Houses of Congress and come to the President within the next ten days. Will the President sign the legislation?

GUIDANCE: As with any legislation, it is difficult to say what the President will do until the bill is actually in final form, arrives at the White House and is reviewed by staff.

> However, it my understanding that Secretary Kleppe has said publicly that he will probably recommend that the President take favorable action on this legislation once it arrives at the White House.